

CHAPTER NO. 967

SENATE BILL NO. 813

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Substituted for: House Bill No. 853

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, relative to domestic abuse which results in death.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known as and may be cited as "The Christina Robinson Act of 2006".


SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-210, is amended by adding the following new subsection (b) and by relettering present subsection (b) accordingly:

(b) In a prosecution for a violation of this section, if the defendant knowingly engages in multiple incidents of domestic abuse, assault or the infliction of bodily injury against a single victim, the trier of fact may infer that the defendant was aware that the cumulative effect of such conduct was reasonably certain to result in the death of the victim regardless of whether any single incident would have resulted in such death.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 2006


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 27th day of June 2006


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